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SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE
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FIELD MEMORANDUM SCS-1133

Re: Relating Research Findings
to Land Capability

TO ALL RANKING FIELD OFFICERS:

The most immediate use of the findings of our Research is by the Operations of the Service. Frequently our Operations people have difficulty in connecting the research findings with the kinds of land to which the research data are applicable. We would, therefore, like to have all experiments on runoff, soil losses, conservation cropping systems, etc., include land descriptions in terms of physical land conditions as mapped and used in soil conservation surveys and interpreted in the land-capability classification.

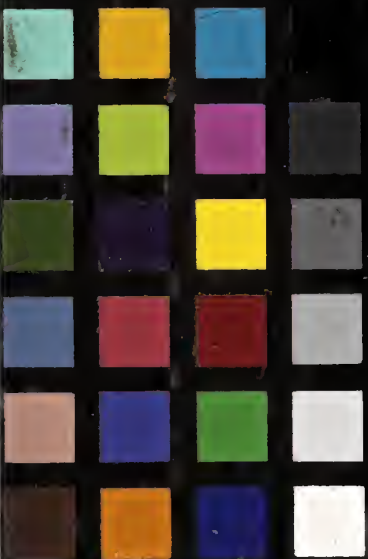
Standard terminology for land characteristics is given in the chart on "Standard Mapping Symbols for Soil Conservation Surveys" issued March 29, 1950, and described in the "Guide for Soil Conservation Surveys" issued May 1, 1948. Wherever land-capability maps have not been made of our conservation experiment stations or field experimental areas, arrangements should be made to have this done as soon as possible.

Regional Directors will have members of the Soil Conservation Surveys Divisions contact the Research Project Supervisors and assist them in developing descriptions of land conditions at research locations to meet the needs of our operational people. Such descriptions of land conditions should be attached to project work plans as a supplement.



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